

the device in order to produce control signals.--.

Remarks

This Preliminary Amendment cancels original claims 1-6 and substitute claims 1-8 in the underlying PCT Application No. PCT/DE98/00303, and adds new claims 9-16. The new claims do not add new matter to the application but do conform the claims to U.S. Patent and Trademark Office rules.

The amendments to the specification and abstract are to conform the specification and abstract to U.S. Patent and Trademark Office rules. The amendments to the specification and abstract do not introduce new matter into the application.

The underlying PCT application includes a Search Report dated July 21, 1998, and a Preliminary Examination Report dated March 4, 1999. An English translation of the Preliminary Examination Report is submitted herewith.

Applicant asserts that the present invention is new, non-obvious, and useful. Consideration and allowance of the claims are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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